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Governor Jan Brewer Names Director of Federal Relations

PHOENIX - Arizona Governor Jan Brewer today announced the appointment of Ryan Serote as Director of Federal Relations for the State of Arizona. Mr. Serote will be working out of the Hall of States building in Washington, DC.

"I am very pleased to announce the addition of Mr. Serote to my executive staff," stated Brewer. "His tremendous familiarity with and background of Capitol Hill, coupled with his experience in key Arizona policy issues will prove invaluable to the citizens of Arizona and to my Administration."

Mr. Serote has extensive experience in congressional and executive federal affairs. He joins Governor Brewer's executive staff following his service as Deputy Commissioner, External and Intergovernmental Affairs for the United States Department of Interior's Bureau of Reclamation. Mr. Serote directed and supervised all congressional and legislative efforts at the Bureau of Reclamation. He also worked directly with federal agency executives, the White House budget office, Members of Congress, and other external federal, state, and local agencies.

Mr. Serote also served as District Director and Senior Legislative Assistant for Congressman J.D. Hayworth. In addition to his supervision and management of district staff and activities, Mr. Serote also was an advisor on key Arizona policy issues including energy, environment, natural resources, telecommunications, technology, Native American affairs, and appropriations issues. As a member of Congressman Hayworth's staff, Mr. Serote also served as Director of the Congressional Native American Caucus.

He received his Master of Business Administration from George Washington University in Washington, DC, and his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.